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AGUINALDO'S TWO AGENTS

They Arrived at San Francisco From Manila Yesterday.

BOUND FOR WASHINGTON

After Pleading With the President for the Independence of the Philippines, They Will Proceed to Paris — Wildman Made Promises That Dewey and Merritt Would Not Carry Out.

San Francisco, Sept. 22.—Philippo Agoncillo and Jose Lopez, two representatives of the Philippine insurgent chief Aguinaldo, arrived today on the transport China from Manila.

They left tonight for Washington to

Agoncillo is especially close to Aguinaldo. He is very guarded when he speaks of the expectations of the Filipinos, but he says that the insurgents expect independence.

and for some time resided in that gentleman's house. He claims there was some sort of agreement between Wildman, on behalf of the United States, and Aguinaldo, on behalf of the insurgents. "Wildman," he says, "promised General Aguinaldo that the American forces would combine with the insurgents for the purpose of driving the Spaniards out of the Philippines. It was a joint war and I think the insurgents understood that the Americans were there to assist them to gain their independence and cast off the yoke of Spain."

Agoncillo did not return to Manila with Aguinaldo. He stayed in Hong Kong and now he is taking another trip with some of the large sums of money which the Spaniards paid to Aguinaldo and he refused to divide with the other insurgents.

Agoncillo is insignificant looking, with small, beady, black eyes and a furtive expression. He looks cunning and when asked questions facts but on his own lack of knowledge of the language.

From his talk it is clear that Consuegra Wildman, of Hong Kong, has complete control matters by prompting more from the United States than Dewey or Merritt cared to give.

DEWEY AN ANNEXATIONIST.

**He Would Hold the Philippines
Against All Comers.**
Manila, Aug. 29, via San Francisco, Sept. 12.—The city is very quiet and both officers and sailors, who are expecting all kinds of fighting, are weary of life when existence settles down into Turkish bath, sweats, varied with combats with mosquitoes. The men continue in good health, though many have suffered from inability to relish the army rations in this climate.

The departure of Gen. Merritt for Paris and of Gen. Greene for Washington have had a bad effect on army officers and many have applied for leaves.

Gen. Merritt has shown very little enthusiasm in his work, and it seemed as though he was glad to get away, though all recognize that he is not well adapted for the position at Paris, as he has a

heart in the retention of the Philippines and would be glad to see the United States give them up.

On the other hand, Dewey is a rampant

annexationist and wants to hold all of the islands and read the riot act to any nation that puts in a claim for a square foot of Philippine territory.

The capture of Manila was in the nature of an opera bouffe performance, but it was made noteworthy by extreme generosity of American sailors and soldiers to have a hand in the fighting.

When arrangements were made for a combined attack upon the town, Admiral Dewey was deluged with petitions from sailors who wanted to be landed so they could have a hand in the fight. Among the most clamorous were the crew of the

utter Manilaullo, who simply were eye witnesses of the first bombardment.

They declared that they should have no chance this time, and the admiral put them in the fighting line. Other sailors were landed and aided the troops.

Admiral Monaghan's fleet could not be sent because the Monadnock did not arrive in time for taking the city. The monitors reached here three days after and the admiral then ordered the fleet to be sent. The admiral will hold a court of inquiry on Capt. Whitting. He mentioned that Whitting spent much time at Honolulu where his family resides, and it will go back to the United States. He said that he was satisfied for good reasons.

GREENE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Reported That He Will Be Asked to Answer Charges.

San Francisco, Sept. 22.—The steamer China, brought today from Manila Gen. F. V. Greene and Lieut. Col. Babcock.

It is understood that Gen. Greene has been ordered to Washington to answer charges that he held a court-martial on the steamer on the trip to Manila and in this exceeded his authority.

Two weeks ago Greene cabled from Kobe to Major Rathbone, in this city to secure a private car to be hurried through to Washington. He probably bears important dispatches for the Government.

It is not thought that the recall of the general will amount to anything more than a mere technicality.

Regarding the situation in the Philippines, Gen. Greene does not anticipate

any trouble with the insurgents. The general health of the American troops is good, but there has been some difficulty in securing the troops from the attack left by the Spanish troops. The Spaniards occupied churches, barracks and public buildings of the town and left them in a frightful state.

It is against these disease beds that the American troops are struggling with fair success. The work of cleaning the city was progressing well when the Chinamen sailed.

Among the sick soldiers who returned on the China was E. D. Whitehead, of the Fourth United Regular. Whitehead was ordered to go to Manila to lead an expedition to land at Manila. He says that troops at Manila were eager to meet

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